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CHARGE ALLOCATION, AND METHOD

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

It is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time, until December 13, 2006, be granted in which to respond to the non-final Office action dated July 13, 2006. The statutory fee of \$225.00 for the two-month extension is attached. Any deficiencies in the extension of time fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1577.

Respectfully submitted,

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